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FRIDAY Mission Progress Report for the Period 15 August - 14 September 1954

REF: SGAA 11415, KAPOK 2804, 28 August 1954

## Headquarters' Action Required

None for information and files.

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## Summary

- a. RNDOLLAR was brought to Athens from Patras for payment and operational discussion on 30 August.
- b. No decision on the scheduling of the next penetration attempt has been reached.
- 1. RNDOLLAR journeyed to Athens at our request on 30 August 1954. He reported that life in Patras was tolerable and that he and AIRBRED were in good health.
- 2. RNDOLLAR was given his living allowance and that of AIRBRED's for the month of August plus some clothing and toilet articles promised previously.
- 3. In a discussion of plans for pursuing FRIDAY mission, RNDOLLAR reiterated his statement that we could not count on any results from AIPIGEON until December of this year, (see Para 7 of enc. 1 to SGAA 11239, KAPOK 2775, 14 August 1954). On considerable prompting he admitted that AIPIGEON's wife could make her recruitment trip to Tirana any time after the middle of October and that a penetration to the dead drop would be easier prior to mid-November when the flocks return to the valley. He was nevertheless adament that we should not plan another mission before December.
- 4. Prior to making our decision on the matter here, we are asking Sacavage to do some research on grazing customs and conditions in the operational area to ascertain whether or not illegal entry is feasible once the flocks are grazing in the valley. If such entry seems feasible, we will plan a December operation. If not, we will mount FRIDAY in November in hopes that a message will be awaiting us.

5. RNDOLLAR was

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5. RNDOLLAR was returned to Patras the evening of 30 August. He has not been permitted to circulate among Albanians in Athens since he was packed off to Khalkis on 24 March of this year.

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